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WITH HIGH STRENGTH
PROXIMAL SHAFT

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Dear Sir:

ENCLOSURES

Enclosed are the following:

- * A completed PTO form 1449 (modified) which has two pages.
- * A copy of each printed or patented reference listed in the enclosed form 1449 and not previously provided to or by the PTO in this application. Twenty-seven (27) references are enclosed.

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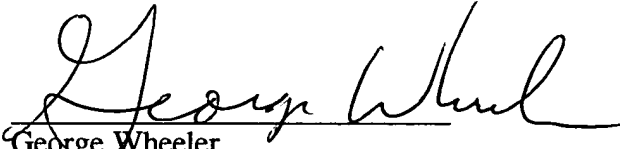
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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION

This paper and enclosures are believed to be entitled to consideration under 37 C.F.R. §1.97, based on the facts stated above. The Examiner is requested to initial both copies of the enclosed PTO-1449 (modified) and return one copy to the applicants to indicate consideration of the enclosed references.

Respectfully submitted,

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